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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application dated November 23, 2001, please amend the specification as indicated prior to examination of the case on the merits.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 7 please replace paragraph [0041] with the following paragraph:

[0041] Figures 20 through 80 are spreadsheets listing pre-defined integration areas and a list of pre-defined integration events for each integration area.

On page 9 please replace paragraph [0046] with the following paragraph:

[0046] Set forth below are details regarding example hardware architectures (Figures 2 and 3), and example computer generated screen shots displayed by the system to facilitate acquisition integration (Figures 4 through 19). In addition, a list of pre-defined integration areas and a list of pre-defined integration events are set forth in Figures 20 through 80. Using the pre-defined integration areas and integration events, a user, as explained below, is able to construct a